



# Emergency Call

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## Seminole County Public Safety

## The future is here!

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The Seminole County Sheriff's Office is preparing to venture way into the future with the internet and web T.V. They are currently working on a live webcam view of any bank within Seminole County. Of course the banks would have to agree to the installation.

Basically, once a teller activates an alarm in the bank, the camera will begin transmitting live color video images to the SCSO Communication Center. The image is very large as it is being broadcasted on to a wall screen from a projector.

This will assist the Detectives, Hostage Negotiators and other law enforcement segments to properly assess and evaluate any situation within the bank.

This is very progressive and innovative direction for law enforcement. One other direction for this progressive department is to have the image broadcast via the radio system directly to those individuals on the scene, of course this will take some time to finish this portion of the project.

There are many issues with this that still need to be resolved such as bandwidth and transmission speed. But knowing the tenacity of our Sheriff and his tireless staff, it will be accomplished!

Take a look at their new web site, it has changed and looks great!

<http://seminolesheriff.org/>



Taking another bite out of crime

### Health Tip

- \* Because this is the time of year that it is sooooo hot, please remember to drink plenty of water when you are outside working, doing yard work or even at the beach.
- \* Drink at least 16 oz every hour to keep hydrated, if you're outside working in the yard or on the scene of an incident.

## Celebrating America

Recently we celebrated our nations birthday for the 225th time. Imagine that, a small group of people who sat down and wrote a simple one page document that would govern this country forever. The most impressive thing to remember is that they did this with out any of "our" modern technologies and worrying about being "PC". All of us could learn something from

them, mainly taking the time in our lives to sit down and talk. Talking to your supervisor, family members, loved ones. Think of what that may accomplish.!

Imagine what you could solve or create! By only taking the time to follow our nations fathers footsteps by simply talking.

**One Vision - One Purpose**



## Night Shifts

Night shifts, they are not for everyone! People use all sorts of excuses to say why they “love” them. When you heard those reasons did you really wonder? Do they really get enough sleep? Some people actually put themselves in to a dangerous situation called, “Sleep Deprivation”. This is usually caused by not allowing enough time for sleep, working at night, medical illnesses, depression and excessive noise to name a few. Doctors say adults need between 7 to 8 hours of sleep.

In our business what could that cause? How about an accident on the way to work because your overly tired, what about decreased productivity at work, maybe being a little slow entering a call, forgetting to dispatch a call, not entering enough information or even something so innocent as trans-



posing an address. This by the way happens mostly in the early morning hours.

All these are possibilities. Here is an opportunity to share some of your “tricks of the trade” in helping others to stay awake and productive at work. Send then to the editor and we will post as many as possible.

**PLEASE** for everyone’s sake and most of all your well being, take the time to get good rest and eat a proper diet. Your family, friends, co-workers and customers would appreciate an awake and alert person on the other end of the line.



## Tips, hints, tricks and recipes!

Here is a place for anyone to list the special talents that may help someone else. Do you know any good tips and tricks of the trade that we can post here, heck we will even give you credit! This can even be a great place to share those all to famous “Firehouse” cooking recipes, I know there are some of those out there and are just itching to be shared, something to make those taste buds standup and beg for more or is it mercy? I forget sometimes.

How about some items for all of us to think about for patient care, a quicker way to write a narrative, read EKG’s or maybe one of you have a long forgotten trick that would

be great for a new person to learn, lets share it and better the system together.

Anyone have a safety tip that could be used either at a fire scene or EMS scene? Send all your tips or tricks to the editor’s email: rhodges@co.seminole.fl.us

Here is an idea  
Or a  
Lip smacking, tongue spinning good  
recipe!

## ASPD gets ready for AVL

Altamonte Springs Police is almost finished with installing new technology that is quickly being accepted as the next level of system status management, Automatic Vehicle Locator. Once completed and integrated with a CAD, the system will truly recommend to the dispatcher the closest available appropriate unit to an incident.



No one can be lost with  
the AVL

Although some police officers may not like someone knowing where they are all the time, it is seen as a great backup to them when something happens and the dispatcher knows where to send supporting units. This helps an agency shorten the response times of responding units and soon there will be new technology for the telephone system as well, which will only assist everyone in the E 9-1-1 system and ultimately every citizen residing or visiting in Seminole County.

## Advanced Learning Skills

Here is the latest training schedule for the Public Safety EMS / Fire Rescue Division for the months of July and August.

### July 2001

#### Telestaff Training Location: PSA

July 9-14 & 16-21 & 23-,25,-27 (hours 0900—1700)

#### CPR Training Location: PSA

July 9 @ 1800 hours, July 19 @ 0700 hours,

July 20 @ 0900 hours, July 24 @ 1800 hours

July 26 @ 0900 hours

### August 2001

#### CPR Training

#### Location: PSA

August 2 @ 0700 (cnty emps) @ 1300 hours for public

August 14 @ 1800 hours, August 16 @ 0700

August 30 @ 0700

#### Skills Assessment Centers

August 14-16

August 28-30

0900 hours at Station 23

0900 hours at Station 36

1330 hours at Station 27

1330 hours at Station 13

1800 hours at Station 22

1800 hours at Station 16

#### Fire Setter Class

#### Location: PSA

August 28 at 1500 and 2200 hours

## Training Schedule for E 9-1-1

Get ready, November will be here sooner than you think or want! This is when we begin having the A. P. C. O. basic and CTO courses available again. So start thinking about the training needs of any of the new employees you may have hired during the summer. Hey, how about challenging yourself and increasing your knowledge abilities by taking the training and working as a Communications Training Officer. Who knows what that could lead to.

Supervisors, there will also be classes available to increase your abilities as well. A. P. C. O. has a supervisors course which will be available for you to attend in December, re-

member, this is one of the new requirements that can be found in the new E 9-1-1 S.O.G.'s currently in update. If you have any questions please contact your P.S.A.P. Manager for details.

If you have any ideas for future classes please contact Bob Hodges at 407 665-5167 or email him at rhodges@co.seminole.fl.us

*Learn from those who have gone before; teach those who come after.*

## Well whatda you know!

Did you know that the first president to be born in a hospital is Jimmy Carter?

Where else have you seen the "Fish" besides Seminole?

Where did the battle for Bunker Hill actually take place?

The National Anthem is set to music, what is the origin and name of that music?

Who was the youngest Fire Chief in the U. S. and old was he?

Where did the term, "mind your beeswax" come from?



Hmmm, I don't know, but I think.....

What is the real meaning behind the soft drink name, "7 UP"?

*For those curious about some of the answers from the first issue:*

*Ben Franklin started the first Fire Insurance company.*

*9-1-1 began with a local telephone company in Haleyville AL, in 1968, and yes it was on a red phone, in a police station!*

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Coming soon to the web!



Well, we made it to a second issue and we have expanded it to include all areas of Public Safety. Although the idea was born for the Communication Center, we feel that all facets of Public Safety should be honored here. Everyone does so much for so many and do it better than anyone else. That is what Seminole County Public Safety is known for, far and wide through out the state! Our mission may be to serve the public but we take that thought much deeper and prove it every day with our determination and ingenuity to protect lives and property.

*Thank you*

"Public Safety, it's more than a job, it is a life style!"

Serving the community to improve the quality of life

## Animal Services

Seminole County Animal Services is an extremely important and very busy iatrical part of Public Safety. To some it seems the telephone never stops, requests for assistance never ending. This division is comprised of a small group of highly motivated and dedicated people doing things that most of us couldn't. Next time you see one of their trucks wave, say a silent thank you for being there.

These folks work just as hard as anyone else within Public Safety. Don't believe me? Take a few hours and ride with these upbeat people. I have and it was refreshing to see such compassionate people taking great care to help the citizens of the county. Anything from, a wild animal relocation to picking up a beloved animal that has passed on.

There are many worthwhile ser-

vices that they are involved with. If you have an animal and need flea spray, stop by and pick up a non-toxic spray for FREE! Yup Free! It's right in the lobby. They also have many flyers about the care of many types of animals and informational guides about Florida's snakes. Currently, they are working hard to place animals with some of the older citizens of the county for companionship. We all know the health benefits of owning an animal, such as lowered blood pressure, stress reduction which can lead to a more relaxed home for everyone.

Stop by and talk to one of the Animal Services specialists, they are very eager to assist anyone with animal information and adoption arrangements. Check out their website for great information.

Their web site is:

[www.seminolepublicsafety.org/ancon.htm](http://www.seminolepublicsafety.org/ancon.htm)



Caring for those that can't for themselves!